



MEMORANDUM

TO: Health Care Commission
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SUBJECT: **Update on Requests for Proposals**

A number of contracts are set to expire at the end of 2009. Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the following products are in process: Vision, Long Term Care, and Dental. The contract for an insured vision plan expires December 31, 2009. The vision plan is an entirely employee-paid benefit. RFP 11831 for an insured vision plan was released on December 11, 2008, and closed January 30, 2009. We are currently reviewing the bids received, and letters requesting additional information and bid clarification have been sent to the bidders.

The State's contract for group long term care insurance expired in 2007 and we have been unable to procure a replacement group contract. The RFP for an insured group long term care policy, RFP 11832, was released on January 7, 2009, and closed on February 20, 2009. We are currently reviewing the bid responses.

RFP 11934 for dental services was released on February 6, 2009, and closed on March 6, 2009. We are currently reviewing the bid responses.